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**SOUTHEAST ASIA  
ACTIVITY REPORT**

**SELECTED TRANSPORTATION  
AND INFILTRATION  
COMPENDIUM  
14-20 JULY 1966**

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## **PREFACE**

This report is a summary of selected information on transportation and infiltration activity in Southeast Asia, primarily the Laotian Panhandle, as reported by NPIC during the period indicated on the cover. For a comprehensive study of road development in this area prior to 1 April 1966 see NPIC R-110/66, Communist Road Net Development in the Laotian Panhandle (CONFIDENTIAL/

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Items are numbered and arranged according to location from north to south. Annotated maps of varying scales have been included to assist the reader in locating the items. Each large-scale map depicts all motorable roads photographically confirmed by NPIC.

Missions, mission dates, frames, and NPIC cable and briefing board references are listed after each item, as appropriate.

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To conform with future NPIC reporting procedures, the title of this report has been changed from Selected Transportation and Infiltration Activity, Southeast Asia to Southeast Asia Activity Report, Selected Transportation and Infiltration Compendium.

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BURMA

Ta-lo

Phong Saly

Dien Bien Phu

Muong Luong Nam Tha

Lao Cai

Lai Chau

Lang Son

Thai Nguyen

HA NOI

Hai Phong

Mong Cai

Hai-an

Houei Sai

Muang Chiang Rai

Luang Prabang

Samneua

Thanh Hoa

Muong Sen

Muang Nan

LAOS

Pak Sane

Vinh

VIENTIANE

Nong Khai

Lak Sao

Mu Gra

Muang Nakhon Phanom

Thakhek

Dong Hoi

Ben Quang

Muang Phitsanulok

Sepone

Demarcation line

THAILAND

Muang Nakhon Sawan

Muang Khon Kaen

Savannakhet

Hue

Da Nang

Nakhon Ratchasima

Muang Ubon

Pakse

Chavane

Prachin Buri

KRUNG THEP (BANGKOK)

Chachoengsao

Sisophon

Samut Songkhram

Warin Chamrap

Attapeu

Kontum

Pleiku

An Nhon

Battambang

CAMBODIA

Pursat

Stung Treng

Kratie

Ban Me Thuot

Da Lat

PHNOM PENH

Svay Rieng

SOUTH VIETNAM

SAI GON

Phan Thiet

Sihanoukville

Long Xuyen

My Tho

Vung Tau

Sa Dec

Vinh Long

Can Tho

Vinh Loi

Quan Long

CON SON

DAO PHU QUOC (Vietnam)

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National capital

International boundary

Railroad

Road

0 50 100 150 Miles

0 50 100 150 Kilometers

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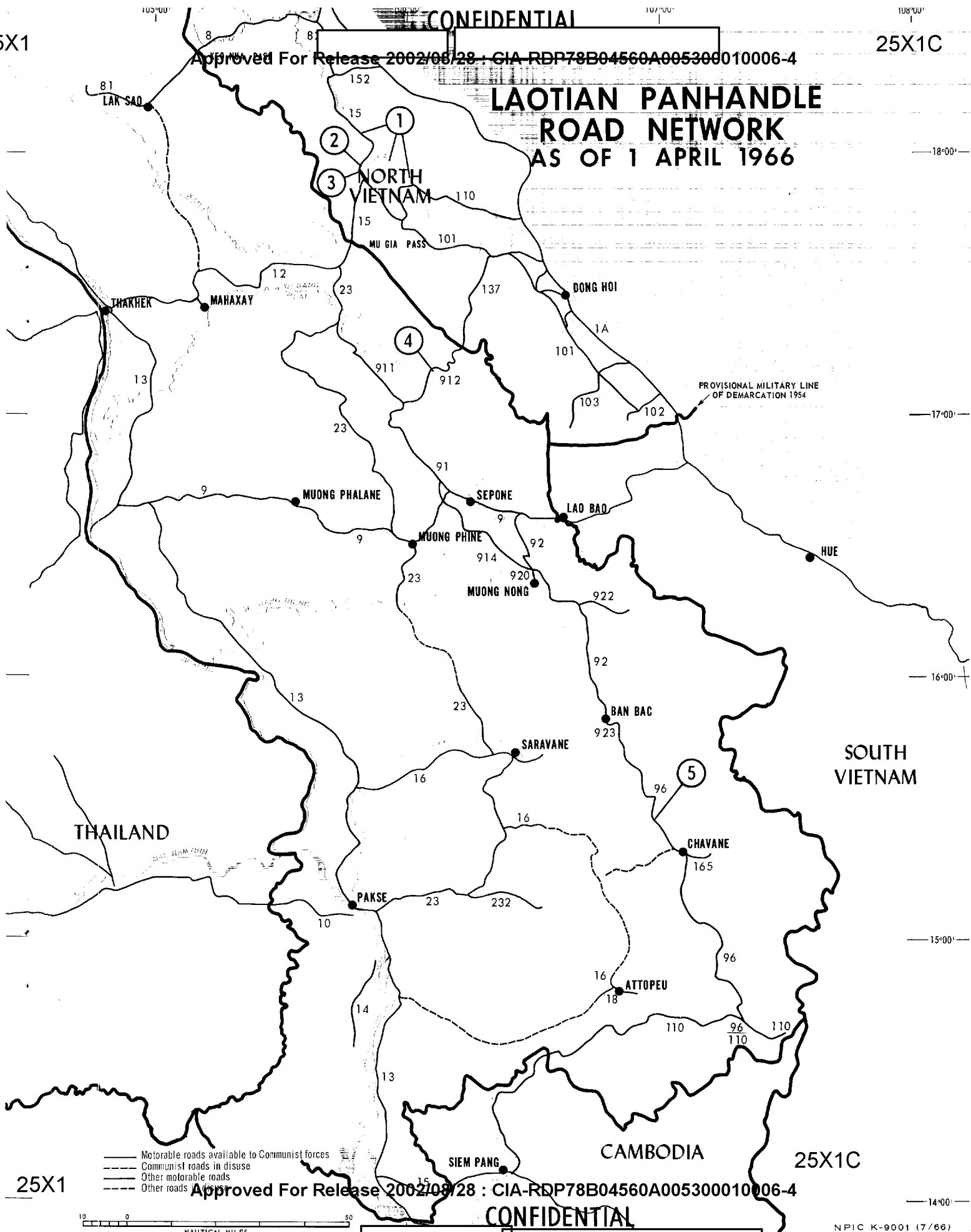
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# LAOTIAN PANHANDLE ROAD NETWORK AS OF 1 APRIL 1966



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1. Railroad Bridge and By-pass Construction, Vinh/Dong Hoi Rail Line

The Vinh/Dong Hoi Rail Line was observed on photography of [ ] between 18-10N 105-42E and 17-48N 106-08E. Track has been placed on the previously existing railbed on the northern bank of the Rao Cai (river) at UTM XE063803. Although activity has significantly increased north of this point, no track or ties are evident farther south.

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25X1A A railroad bridge and by-pass are under construction northeast of the Dong Bai Rail Bridge [ ] between UTM WF755084 and WF765078. Track has been placed on the by-pass, but decking has not been laid on the new bridge at UTM WF759086. The Dong Bai Rail Bridge appears serviceable.

25X1A A rail by-pass is in the initial stage of construction north-northeast of the destroyed Xom Khe Rail Bridge [ ] at 17-58N 105-55E. Road clearing and grading for the railbed have begun on both banks of the Khe Net (stream).

25X1A A railroad bridge and by-pass are under construction southeast of the destroyed Thuong Phong Trang Rail Bridge [ ] at 17-54N 106-00E (Figure 1). Intermittent clearing and grading for the railbed are observed on both approaches to the new bridge at UTM XE065799. There has

25X1A The Kim Lu Xa Rail Bridge [ ] at 17-57N 105-57E remains unserviceable and no reconstruction or improvements are evident in the area.

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25X1D On photography of [ ], three rail cars on a small spur at UTM WE985885 and four cars on the main line at UTM WE981883 were observed. These cars were not evident on photography of [ ] when three cars were then located at UTM XE031833. The presence of cars at various points along the rail line indicates that the line is serviceable and suggests that transloading operations are possibly utilized at the unserviceable bridges.

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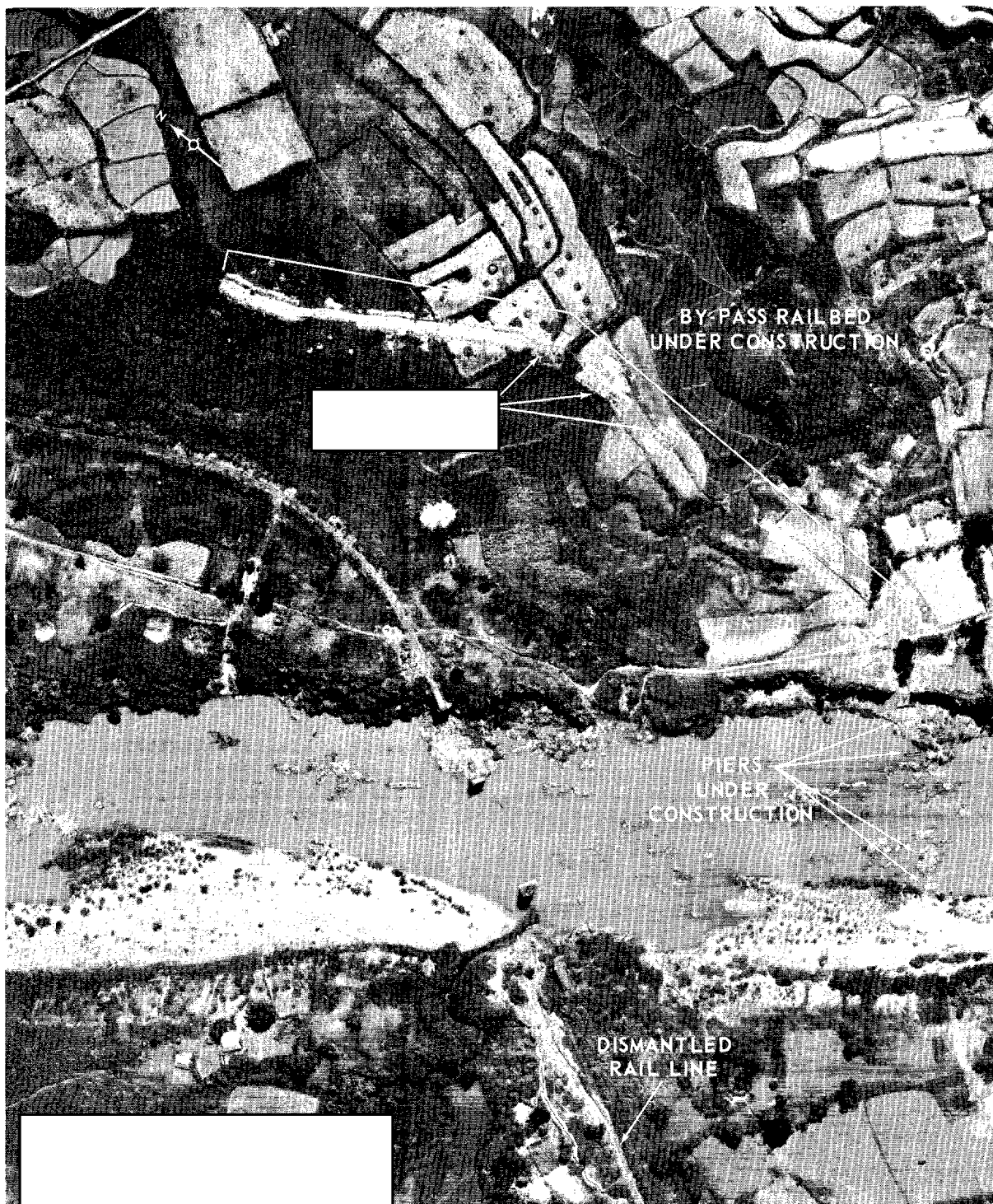
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FIGURE 1. RAILROAD BRIDGE AND BY-PASS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, VINH/DONG HOI RAIL LINE, NORTH VIETNAM

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## 2. Vehicular Cable Bridges, Route 15

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## 3. By-pass Road, Route 15

The unnumbered road by-passing Route 15 near Xom Ca Trang is apparently complete. The road extends northwest from Route 15 at UTM WE860832, parallels the east bank of the Rao Cai (river), crosses the river at UTM WE849844, parallels the west bank of the Rao Cai, and rejoins Route 15 at UTM WE858855. Since the bridge over the Rao Cai at UTM WE849844 remains under construction, the road is probably unused. A road clearing operation extends north from the east bridge approach for 500 yards to UTM WE851848. When complete, this bridge will provide a second Rao Cai river crossing in addition to the recently reconstructed Xom Ca Trang Highway Bridge over the Rao Cai [REDACTED]

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NORTH VIETNAM

RAILROAD BY-PASS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

UNNUMBERED ROAD

RAILROAD BY-PASSES UNDER CONSTRUCTION

ROUTE 15

BY-PASS ROAD

VEHICULAR CABLE BRIDGES

ROUTE 110

ROUTE 101

LAOS

MU GIA PASS

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4. Truck Park, Route 912

A truck park is observed on Route 912 at 17-12N 106-06E and consists of a short access road extending northwest from Route 912 at UTM XE168017 and terminating in a vehicle turn-around at UTM XE166019. Heavy track activity is observed in the area, although no vehicles or associated facilities are identified.

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# 5. Landslides and Interdictions, Route 96

An approximately 350-yard segment of Route 96 remains unserviceable from UTM YC149062 to YC149065 due to landslides. Heavy interdictions and additional landslides have also rendered the road unserviceable in the vicinity of a ford at UTM YC072134 (Figure 4). A foot trail generally follows the alignment of the road in this area. These road segments have not been improved since first observed impassable by vehicles on [REDACTED] respectively.

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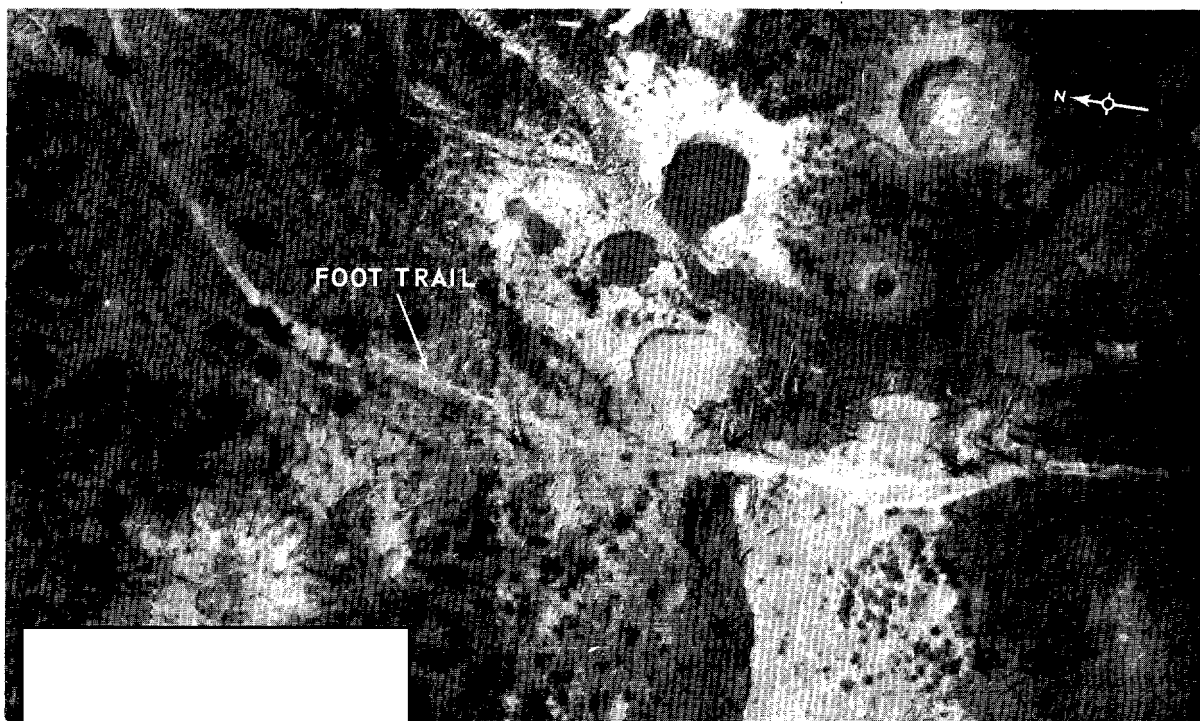


FIGURE 4. LANDSLIDES AND INTERDICTIONS, ROUTE 96, LAOS.

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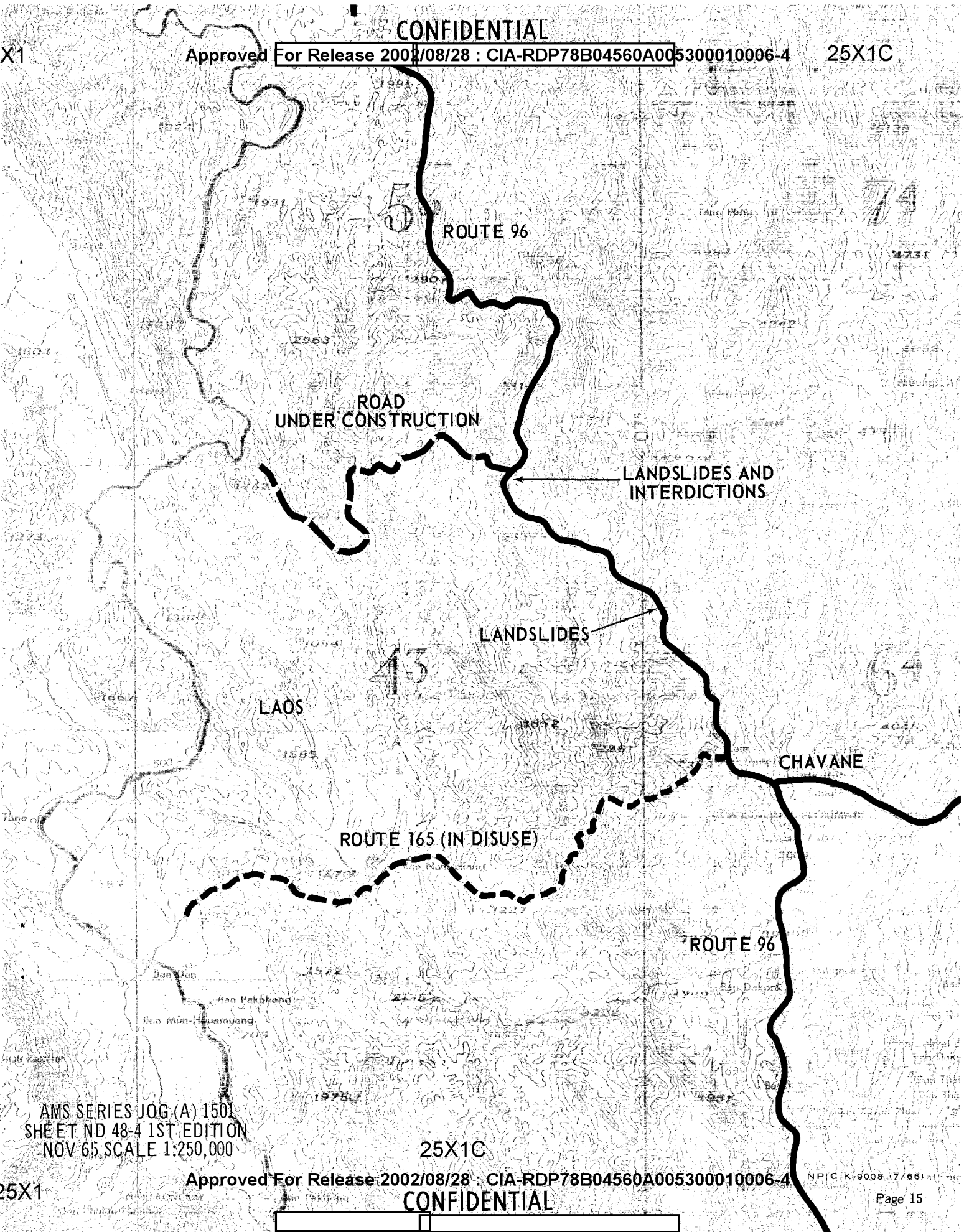
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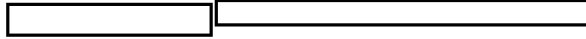
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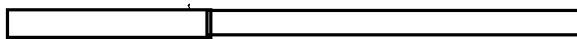


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